



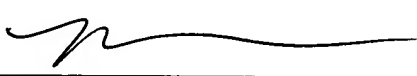
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INTERACTIVE EXERCISE AND HEALTH EQUIPMENT

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As the Examiner is aware, this application is related to a number of co-pending, issued, and abandoned applications including USSN 60/008,603, 08/766,309, 08/766,513 (USP 6,059,692), 09/273,591 (USP 6,193,631), 09/690,178 (USP 6,749,537), 09/690,701, 10/045,619 (USP 6,921,351), 10/751,334, 10/773,617, 11/150,914 and 11/440,703. Of these, U.S. Patents 6,193,631 ("the '631 patent") and 6,749,537 ("the '537 patent") are involved in a lawsuit between assignee Cybergym Research LLP and ICON Health and Fitness.

More particularly, the '631 and '537 patents are involved in the lawsuit *Cybergym Research LLC v. ICON Health and Fitness, Inc.* United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Case No. 2:05-cv-527. In accordance with the local rules, the Defendant has recently made its Preliminary Invalidity Contentions, as enclosed herewith, and has submitted a large number of documents upon which it intends to support its claims of invalidity. Applicants apologize for the size of this submission, which was necessitated by these circumstances. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider these documents and to make them of record in the current application.

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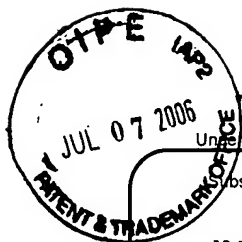
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